Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-41 (Canceled)

42. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus capable of communicating with an information input apparatus, comprising:

reception unit configured:

- (1) in a first reception operation where the information processing apparatus is connected to the information input apparatus, to receive information specifying a file recorded on a recording medium of the information input apparatus;
- (2) in a second reception operation after the reception in the first reception operation, to receive part of attribute information, not all of the attribute information, of the file recorded on the recording medium of the information input apparatus; and
- (3) in a third reception operation after the reception in the second reception operation, to receive information which has not been received in the second reception operation, not all of the file, among information included in the file recorded on the recording medium of the information input apparatus.

wherein the part of attribute information received in the second reception operation is obtainable without analyzing the file, and the information received in the third reception operation is obtainable by analyzing the file.

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43. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein in the first reception operation said reception unit further receives information specifying the folder recorded on the recording medium of the information input unit.

- 44. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein in the first reception operation said reception unit receives information specifying all files recorded on the recording medium of the information input unit.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein in said second reception operation said reception unit receives part of the attribute information of a file corresponding to the information specifying the file received in the first case.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein the part of the attribute information to be received in the second reception operation by said reception unit requires less time to receive than the rest of the attribute information not to be received in the second reception operation by said reception unit.
- 47. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein the part of the attribute information to be received in the second reception operation by said reception unit is information managed by a file system of the information input apparatus.

48. (Canceled)

49. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42 further comprising:

a first request unit that requests the part of the attribute information to be received in the second reception operation by said reception unit to the information input apparatus; and

a second request unit that requests the information to be received in the third reception operation by said reception unit to the information input apparatus.

- 50. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 49, wherein the information received in the third reception operation by said reception unit is generated in response to the request by said second request unit.
- 51. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein the part of the attribute information to be received in the second reception operation by said reception unit includes at least one of a file name, file size, and generation date and time of a file.
- 52. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein the information to be received in the third reception operation by said reception unit includes at least one of thumbnail data and size of data included in the

file, and size of the thumbnail data.

- 53. (Canceled)
- 54. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 42, wherein the information input apparatus is a digital camera.
- 55. (Currently Amended) An information input apparatus capable of communicating with an information processing apparatus, comprising:
 - a transmission unit configured:
- (1) in a first transmission operation where the information input apparatus is connected to the information processing apparatus, to transmit information specifying a file recorded on a recording medium of the information input apparatus;
- (2) in a second transmission operation after the transmission by said transmission unit in the first transmission operation, to transmit part of attribute information, not all of the attribute information, of the file recorded on the recoding medium of the information input apparatus; and
- (3) in a third transmission operation after the transmission by said transmission unit in the second transmission operation, to transmit information which has not been transmitted by said transmission unit in the second transmission operation, not all of the file, among information included in the file recorded on the recording medium of the information input apparatus,

wherein the part of attribute information transmitted in the second transmission

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operation is obtainable without analyzing the file, and the information transmitted in the third transmission operation is obtainable by analyzing the file.

- 56. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55, wherein in the first transmission operation said transmission unit further transmits information specifying the folder recorded on the recording medium of the information input unit.
- 57. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55, wherein in the first transmission operation said transmission unit transmits information specifying all files recorded on the recording medium of the information input unit.
- 58. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55, wherein in the second transmission operation said transmission unit transmits part of the attribute information of a file corresponding to the information specifying the file transmitted in the first transmission operation by said transmission unit.
- 59. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55, wherein the part of the attribute information to be transmitted in the second transmission operation by said transmission unit requires less time to transmit than the rest of the attribute information not to be transmitted in the second transmission operation by said transmission unit.

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60. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55, wherein the part of the attribute information to be transmitted in the second transmission operation by said transmission unit is information managed by a file system of the information input apparatus.

61. (Canceled)

62. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55 further comprising:

a first request reception unit that receives a first request from the information processing apparatus that requests the part of the attribute information to be transmitted in the second transmission operation by said transmission unit; and

a second request reception unit that receives a second request from the information processing apparatus that requests the information to be transmitted in the third transmission operation by said transmission unit.

- 63. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 62 further comprising a generation unit that generates the information to be transmitted in the third transmission operation by said transmission unit in response to the reception of the second request.
- 64. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according to claim 55, wherein the part of the attribute information to be transmitted in the second

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transmission operation by said transmission unit includes at least one of a file name, file size,

and generation date and time of a file.

65. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according

to claim 55, wherein the information to be transmitted in the third transmission operation by

said transmission unit includes at least one of thumbnail data and size of data included in the

file, and size of the thumbnail data.

66. (Canceled)

67. (Previously Presented) The information input apparatus according

to claim 55, wherein the information input apparatus is a digital camera.

68. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an

information processing apparatus capable of communicating with an information input

apparatus, comprising:

a first reception step of, in a case where the information processing apparatus is

connected to the information input apparatus, receiving information specifying a file recorded

on a recording medium of the information input apparatus;

a second reception step of, after the reception in said first reception step,

receiving part of attribute information, not all of the attribute information, of the file recorded

on the recoding medium of the information input apparatus; and

a third reception step of, after the reception in said second reception step,

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receiving information which has not been received in said second reception step, not all of the file, among information included in the file recorded on the recording medium of the information input apparatus.

wherein the part of attribute information received in the second reception step is obtainable without analyzing the file, and the information received in the third reception step is obtainable by analyzing the file.

69. (Currently Amended) An information transmission method for an information input apparatus capable of communicating with an information processing apparatus, comprising:

a first transmission step of, in a case where the information input apparatus is connected to the information processing apparatus, transmitting information specifying a file recorded on a recording medium of the information input apparatus;

a second transmission step of, after the transmission in said first transmission step, transmitting part of attribute information, not all of the attribute information, of the file recorded on the recoding medium of the information input apparatus; and

a third transmission step of, after the transmission in said second transmission step, transmitting information which has not been transmitted in said second transmission step, not all of the file, among information included in the file recorded on the recording medium of the information input apparatus,

wherein the part of attribute information transmitted in the second transmission step is obtainable without analyzing the file, and the information transmitted in the third transmission step is obtainable by analyzing the file.

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70. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium storing a computer program for implementing the information processing method described in claim 68.

71. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium storing a computer program for implementing the information transmission method described in claim 69.